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Submit To:

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 Attention: Community Services Division
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 Sacramento, CA 95812-1947

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Section III - DUNS Number

Provide your agency's Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number. If your agency has not registered, do so and provide the number below.

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| DUNS Number | 73356909 |
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Section IV - CCR Number

Provide your agency's Central Contractor Registration (CCR) number. If your agency has not registered, do so and provide the number below.

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| CCR Number | CAGE Code: 5FUZ7 |
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Section V - Verification of Public Inspection

Provide verification of public inspection of your agency's CSBG Recovery Act Local Plan. Documentation of public inspection must also be provided, i.e. copy of web page, e-mail blasts, etc.)

A) Describe how your agency made this Local Plan available for public inspection.

Campeños Unidos, Inc. (CUI) CSBG Recovery Act Local Plan was posted in CUI's web page (brawleycui.com) and was presented and made available at Public Hearings held May 6th & 7th in the cities of Brawley and Holtville. The plan will also be presented and made available at public hearings to be held May 12th, 13th and 27th in the cities of El Centro, Calexico and Calipatria.

Section VI - General Plans

For each question in this section, provide a comprehensive narrative of what plans you have made to date.

A) Provide a description of Recovery Act projects for purposes of creating and sustaining economic growth and employment opportunities. Include a description of targeted individuals and families; services and activities; and how the services and activities are tailored to the specific needs of the community.

CUI will use Recovery Act funds to hire new staff and to retain staff that was going to be laid-off on June 30th, 2009. At least 10 positions will be created or retained. The staff will work to assist low-income individuals and families to obtain child care in order to gain or maintain employment; obtain safe and affordable housing in support of employment stability needed to gain or retain employment; obtain food assistance in support of employment stability needed to gain or retain employment; and, other information and referral services, including referrals to our in-house energy program, to ensure that clients receive the necessary support to assist in their progress towards achieving self-sufficiency. Staff will work with local partners to expand resources and opportunities for our clients.

B) Provide a description of the service delivery system for Recovery Act projects for purposes of providing a wide range of innovative services and activities. Include a description of the geographical area served.

Services will be provided as listed above. Imperial County covers an area of 4,284 square miles. It is located in the southeast corner of California. It is bordered on the north by Riverside County, on the west by San Diego County, on the east by the Colorado River which forms the boundary between California and Arizona, and on the south by Mexico. Directly across the international border from Calexico, CA, lies the city of Mexicali, the capital of Baja California Mexico, with a population estimated to be over one million residents. The total population in 2000 Census was 143,896. Department of Finance estimate for 2008 is 176,158. Imperial County's economy consists predominantly of government, agriculture and retail trade representing 70% of total county employment. Annual unemployment rate for 2008 is 22.9% and the average rate for the first 2009 quarter is 25.8. The local Social Service Department has seen a caseload increase

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C) Describe how your agency will use Recovery Act funds to meet the short-term and long-term economic and employment needs of individuals, families and communities.

CUI will create or retain at least 10 positions. Staff will be employed from July 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010 and will be paid with Recovery Act funds. CUI will then seek for available funding to maintain those positions to meet the long term economic and employment needs of those individuals, their families and our community. Staff will also be encouraged to apply for existing job openings within the agency and will be provided information on other local job opening and job placement agencies and programs.

D) Provide a description of how linkages will be developed to fill identified gaps in services, through the provision of information, referrals, case management and follow up consultations.

CUI has established strong collaborating partnerships among local community organizations, service providers, public and private agencies to assure the effective delivery of services to the low income population. Coordination with local service providers to fill gaps in services through information and referrals has always been an essential part of our service delivery system. We will coordinate services to fill identified gaps in services with at least 20 local service providers listed in our current Community Action Plan.

E) Provide a description of how Recovery funds will be coordinated with other public and private resources, to avoid duplication and/or supplanting.

CUI will use the recovery funds to support existing in-house projects. CUI will coordinate with CET to make sure that CSBG Recovery Act funds are not duplicated. CET is the only other local provider that receives CSBG funds.

F) Provide a description of how the funds will be used to support innovative community and neighborhood based initiatives related to the purposes of the Recovery Act, which promotes food, housing, health services and employment-related services and activities.

Funds will be used to support existing projects that promote food, housing, and employment related services and activities. Additional staff will be hired to support the existing food, housing, information and referral services provided by CUI's CSBG department and employment support services provided by the Child Development Programs. Four (4) jobs will be retained and six (6) jobs will be created.

G) Provide a description of the community-needs assessment (which may be coordinated with community-needs assessments conducted for other programs).

The CSBG Recovery Act Local Plan will be presented at the 5 Public Hearings to be held in May 2009. These hearings will be used to assess the community needs and to prepare the agency's Community Action Plan for 2010-2011.

H) Provide a description of the service delivery system for benefit enrollment coordination activities for purposes of identifying and enrolling eligible individuals and families in Federal, State, and local benefit programs. Include a description of the geographical area served and a listing of sub-grantees provided the services and service areas.

CUI staff will refer clients to available Federal, State, and local benefit programs. Staff will assist clients in completing the forms required to receive health, food, income and housing benefits. Benefits include: cash aid/TANF/CALWORKS, Earned Income Credit, Supplemental Social Security, Public Housing/Section 8 vouchers, Unemployment, Head Start, Healthy Families, USDA Commodities, Food Stamps, WIC, Medi-Cal, LIHEAP, ECIP and others as per clients needs. Geographical area to be served is same as listed in section "B" above - Imperial County. No sub-grantees will be used.

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J) Describe your education and outreach projects to advertise and market the Recovery Act services and outcomes.

Recovery Act services and outcomes will be posted in our web page, local newspapers, and possibly television. This information will also be shared with our community partners: Employment Development Department, Department of Social Services/calworks, One Stop Centers, Workforce Development Board, CET, Imperial Valley Housing Authority, Catholic Charities, Imperial County office of Employment Training, California Rural Legal Assistance, United Way, Salvation Army, Imperial Valley Regional Task Force on Homelessness, Emergency Food and Shelter Board, Farm Worker Services Coalitin of Imperial County, Department of Education, and others in the community.

Section VII - Energy Coordination

For each question in this section, provide a comprehensive narrative of what plans you have made to date.

A) Describe how your agency has/will establish a mutual referral service agreement with your local energy provider to ensure that clients receive services that support their progress towards achieving self-sufficiency.

CUI is the local energy program provider. All clients will be referred to our energy program to ensure that they receive services that support their progress towards achieving self-sufficiency.

B) Describe the activities your agency will conduct to actively coordinate with the local energy program in employment training and job placement of clients.

CUI is the local energy program. Energy job opening announcements and job descriptions will be made available to clients. Qualified clients will be encouraged to apply.

Section VIII - Workforce Development Projects and Activities

In this section, provide information on projects or activities that will be funded in part or totally by Recovery Act funds that will be administered by your agency. For each project or activity, include the following: title, cost, an estimate of the number of jobs created or retained, and a description of the project or activity.

A.1) Project/Activity #1

| | | | |
|----------------|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| Title | CSBG Recovery Act Employment Support Project | | |
| Cost | \$490,000 | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # 6 | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # 4 | |
| Description | This project will support existing projects that promote food, housing, and employment support related services and activities. Six (6) jobs will be created and four (4) jobs will be retained. | | |

A.2) Project/Activity #2

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| Title | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

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A.3) Project/Activity #3

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| Title | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

A.4) Project/Activity #4

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Title | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

A.5) Project/Activity #5

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Title | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

In this section, provide information on projects or activities that will be funded in part or totally by Recovery Act funds that will be carried out by a delegate agency or other service provider pursuant to a subcontract with Recovery Act funds. For each project or activity include the following: title, subcontractor name, cost, an estimate of the number of jobs created or retained, and a description of the project or activity.

B.1) Subcontractor Project/Activity #1

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Title | no subcontractors will be used | | |
| Subcontractor | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

B.2) Subcontractor Project/Activity #2

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Title | | | |
| Subcontractor | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

B.3) Subcontractor Project/Activity #3

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Title | | | |
| Subcontractor | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

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B.4) Subcontractor Project/Activity #4

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Title | | | |
| Subcontractor | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

B.5) Subcontractor Project/Activity #5

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Title | | | |
| Subcontractor | | | |
| Cost | | | |
| Est. # of Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Created # | <input type="checkbox"/> Retained # | |
| Description | | | |

B.6) If you specified any project/activity in B.1 – B.5, describe the process you will use to select the above subcontractor(s) to provide services funded in part or totally by the Recovery Act funds.

In the section below list all projects or activities that will be funded in part or totally by Recovery Act funds, the applicable National Program Indicator (NPI) and a description of the project or activity.

C) Under the regular CSBG program, eligible entities use funds to provide services and activities addressing unemployment, education, better use of available income, housing nutrition, emergency services and/ or health to combat the central causes of poverty. Such services continue to be supportable under the CSBG Recovery Act. *In recognition of the intent of the Recovery Act, agencies are encouraged to support employment related services and activities that create and sustain economic growth.*****

| <i>NPI</i> | <i>Project or Activity</i> | <i>Description</i> |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| 1.2 E | employment retention/ employment support | Retain four (4) teachers to provide child care services to families in order to assist them to gain or maintain employment |
| 1.2 E. | employment creation/ employment support | Hire one (1) maintenace persons to help with the operation of the child care centers in able to provide child care services to families to assist them to gain or maintain employment. |
| 1.2 E | employment creation/ employment support | Hire two (2) Intake Clerks to assist with enrollment of children and meal count reporting for child care services in able to assist the families to gain or maintain employment. |
| 1.2 G, 1.2 H, 1.2 I, 4.1, 6.2 B | employment creation/ employment support | Hire two (2) Intake Clerks and one (1) Food Distribution Assistant to provide health, housing, food and emergency servcices to families to help them gain or maintain employment. Intake clerks will also work with local partners to expand resources and opportunities for our clients. |
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D) Provide a description of planned infrastructure investments, the purpose, total cost and the rationale for funding the infrastructure investment with funds made available under the Recovery Act. (Capital Improvements are not allowable costs per P.L. 105-285 Sec. 678F)

At this time the agency has no plans on investing on infrastructure.

E) Will your agency use a portion or all the Recovery Act funds for administrative costs? Check the appropriate box.

- ☐ Yes, our agency will use a PORTION of the Recovery Act funds for administrative costs.
- ☐ Yes, our agency will use ALL of the Recovery Act funds for administrative costs.
- ☐ No, our agency will NOT use any of the Recovery Act funds for administrative costs.

E.1) If you checked one of the "YES" boxes in E, explain how the funds allocated to administrative costs will be tracked to a measurable outcome.

Section IX - Required Disclosures

For each question in this section, disclose any unresolved findings and/or recommendations, or any legal proceedings.

A) List all non-CSD funded programs administered by the agency within the past three (3) years that have unresolved findings and/or recommendations or have been terminated as a result of deficiencies.

Nothing to disclose.

B) List all legal proceedings the agency is currently involved in or has been in the past three (3) years. Include a brief description of the proceeding and the outcome. If the proceeding is currently, active provide the status.

Case No: INC064294, Juan Carlos Leon Jr. vs Campesinos Unidos, Inc, Superior Court of California, County of Riverside - Indio Branch. CUI
Blythe Child Development Center staff accident with child. Case was settled by insurance company.

Section X - Barriers

For each question in this section, provide information on potential barriers to your agency's success.

A) Identify any barriers that your agency feels it may face in meeting the requirements of the Recovery Act (i.e., subcontracting, staffing, workforce development, compliance with reporting, performance).

CUI anticipates no barriers and assures it will do everything possible to comply with all the requirements of the Recovery Act. Once reporting instructions are provided and if assistance is required, we will seek assistance from CSD staff.

Attachment A

Section VIII – Workforce Development Projects and activities

E) Will your agency use a portion or all the Recovery Act funds for administrative Costs?

- Yes, our agency will use a PORTION of the Recovery Act Funds for administrative costs.

E1) CUI will charge an HHS approved indirect cost rate of 9.8% to the Recovery Act contract. This will help pay for salaries of accounting/fiscal staff required to comply with AARA reporting requirements. 10% of the salary for person responsible for submitting CSBG Recovery Act reports(programmatic) will also be charged to this contract .

We will track this project under: NPI 2.1 Community Improvement and Revitalization – A. Accessible “living wage” jobs created or saved from reduction or elimination in the community.

For any questions, comments or concerns on Campesinos Unidos, Inc.'s **CSBG Recover Act Local Plan**, please contact:

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